Public Announcement: Germany

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The U.S. Department of State issued the following Public Announcement on May 25:

This Public Announcement is being issued to alert U.S. citizens to the potential for large-scale anti-globalization protests throughout Germany before and during the G8 Summit scheduled for June 6-8, 2007, in Heiligendamm. This Public Announcement expires on June 15, 2007.

The annual G8 Summit, at which the U.S. President and leaders of seven other countries meet to discuss and coordinate policy on key global issues, will take place June 6-8, 2007, at the Baltic seaside resort of Heiligendamm, approximately 200 kilometers north of Berlin. Previous G8 summits have drawn large numbers of "anti-globalization" and other activists from around the world, and a number of groups already have announced plans to demonstrate throughout Germany beginning in late May. As many as 100,000 protesters are expected to gather in the town of Rostock beginning on June 1, and smaller demonstrations are expected in Potsdam, Berlin, Hamburg, and other cities beginning on May 30. Americans traveling in these areas should avoid the demonstrations, bearing in mind that in the past, smaller demonstrations have sometimes turned violent. Traffic and public transportation in the vicinity of demonstrations are likely to be affected.

To enhance security measures already in place for the Summit, the German Government will increase passport and security checks at its land borders. Those entering or exiting Germany – whether by car, boat, or train – may be required to produce valid travel documents.

U.S. citizens are encouraged to consult the Department of State's Consular Information Sheet for Germany and the Worldwide Caution Public Announcement, located at http://travel.state.gov, as well as the April 20 warden message to U.S. citizens in Germany, which can be found on the U.S. Embassy's website at http://germany.usembassy.gov/wardenmessage042007.html. For further information,

U.S. citizens may also contact the Department of State toll-free from within the United States and Canada at 1-888-407-4747, or outside the United States and Canada, on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444.

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